## **Exchange Network and Data Standards Advance Environmental Science**

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Environmental science is often limited by the quality, timeliness, and accessibility of data. The Exchange Network establishes a nationwide, secure, Internet-based system to enable the real-time exchange of environmental data among states, Indian tribes, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA). Relying on data standards and cutting-edge technologies, like Web services, the Exchange Network improves the quality of our environmental science by enabling data sharing and integration across organizations faster and more easily than ever before.